THE WATER COMPANY DECISION-CONSOLL. DATION-THE BRIDGE-OTHER TOPICS.

The decision of the commission appointed to con-demn the property of the Long Island Water supply Company is another severe blow to Alfred C. Chapin a complete vindication of Mr. Ziegler and the large number of citizens who sympathized with him in his effort to prevent the waste of public money the baying out of the company. The passage of law authorizing the acquirement of this property right of eminent domain was advocated by Mayor Boody in his first message. He suggested that under such a law three commissioners would be appointed to ascertain the proper amount of compensation, and added: "Considering all that has transpired cerning this company, and the feelings of pritation which may be said to exist, I know of no better which may be said to exist, I know of no better of doing justice to every interest and of reach-a result which all must concess be designable, than by such proceed-3 as those to which I have alluded." The law passed last year, however, provided for five commisopers, and their work has now been completed. They and that the property and franchise, for which Mayo Chapin, Controller Jackson and Auditor Rutan con-tracted to pay \$1,250,000-and they would have pal 1 all they had not been headed off by Mr. Ziegler in the ver alck of time—are worth not more than \$570,000. Here is a saving of the neat little sum of \$680,000.

Tals is the report of the majority of the commission, Meers. Bliss, Hunt and Shepard. Mr. Emery and Mr. Rowe dissent, but do not name any specific sum which they think should be paid. Their contention higher value than the majority have put upon it; and it will be on this ground, of course, that the company will think that the company is receiving a very fair will thank that the company is receiving a very lati-price for its rights and possessions. The report is made to the Supreme Court, and is subject to its ap-proval. It is understood that the company will appeal if the decision is against it and carry the case to the Court of Appeals. The course of the commission at times seemed to justify a little suspicion, but after the Charles II, Hunt, ir, Charles P. Uniche, IV. pointment of Fdward M. Shepard public confidence
if was restored. A word of praise is due to the duty ex Judge Reynolds and A. G. McDonald. have performed their duty resolutely and successfully, and their appointment shows the wisdom of taking this case out of the hands of the Corporation Counsel. who, it will be remembered, appeared in the Ziegler who, it will be remembered, appeared in behalf of the proceedings against the people and in behalf of the officials accused of neglecting the people's interests.

The new Consolidation bill, which has been introduced by senator Aspinall, provides for a plebiscite on the subject of union with New-York. No valid objection can be made to such a measure by any reasonable person. It is, in fact, of the highest importance to ascertain the wishes of the people on the subject, as a basis for intelligent action. The third section of the bill plainly calls for amendment. It provides that after the election at which consolidation is voted upon the and report to the Legislature such bills as are necessary to bring the affairs of said territory under a single municipal administration." It is hard to recall a more obvious case of begging the question in a legislative measure. It is very surprising that the commissioners could have made such a slip with their eyes open; and yet the bill was prepared most carefully and gone over again and again in order to make it satisfactory.

The first reports regarding Senator McCarly's Bridge bill were erroneous. The bill was not introduced until carly last week, and it provides for two appointed trustees, instead of four. So much the better. The smaller the governing board of the bridge, the more satisfactory to all concerned. Of the six, four are to constitute a quorum, and the appointed trustees are to receive salaries to be fixed by a vote of five members of the board. It is to be hoped that the bill will be passed at an early day. Opposition to it may be expected from the present trustees; at any rate, it is not probable that they will surrender their places with-out a protest, although when the first Bridge Reorganration bill was before the Legislature, in 1885, the then trustees, led by Mr. Stranaban, favored its passage. It would have been a good thing for everywho uses the Bridge If that bill or one like it had become a law years ago. McCarty's relation to the present measure indicates that the Brooklyn ring rants a change. If Tammany takes the same view. the bill will most certainly be enacted.

Very appropriately, the Brooklyn Institute has arranged for a Curtis memorial meeting on the 22d of February. Even if Mr. Curtis were not the subject of the address to be delivered on that occasion, the thoughts of hundreds of those who attend the meeting would inevitably turn to him, for at the last two Washington's Birthday meetings of the Institute he was the incomparable oraby. Two years ago he spoke of Sumner and last year of Lowell. He has left no successor to spenk of him as he spoke of the two great men who formed the subjects of his musorations. This duty has been assigned to the Rev. John W. Chadwick, who is specially fitted for it reason of his close acquaintance with Mr. Cartis, sketch of Curtis in "The Evening Post" (since printed in pamphlet form) was undoubtedly the best that has been written, and his "Recollections," which have just appeared in "Harper's Magazine," show that have just appeared in "Harper's Magazine," show that he knew the subject of them well. Mr. Chadwick's power of cloquent and effective utterance is well known to the people of Brooklys, and he may be expected to the people of Brooklys, and he may be expected to the people of Brooklys, and he may be expected to the people of Brooklys, and he may be appeared. make the most of the opportunity which a memorial address on George William Curtis will afford.

The heartlest approval from a large section of Brooklyn will greet the bill for the filling up of that pestilential nuisance, the Gowanus Canal. Several years ago a special commission made a full investigation of the canal problem, and reached the conclusion that the public welfare demanded its abolition. Popular sentiment approved the report. The present bill authorizes the Mayor, the Controller and the president of the Board of Aldermen to use their discretion in having the work done, the cost not to exceed \$350,000. This is a smaller sum that the commission aforesaid thought would be required for the purpose, but it is not a mere guess. The bill has the indorsement of the Brooklyn fenitary League, which means to push it vigorously. However, the amount named will not cover the ently expense, as a number of sewers emptying into the canal will have to be extended. A separate bill will be drawn up to cover that part of the work.

As has been before remarked in this column, one as has been below the most important branches of work done by the Union for Christian Work is the maintenance of a free lending library, the circulation of which last year reached 131,408. This library is a matter of interest to the public at large, not only because it is free to all applicants, but because an appropriation of \$5,000 is annually made for it from the city treasury. In his report for the year just closed, ofessor Robert Foster, the President of the Union, refers to the plan for a great public library. A bill authorizing the issue of bonds to the amount of 600,000 for this purpose was passed by the Legislature of 1892, but as yet nothing has been done in the matter. Professor Foster expresses the earnest hope that Mayor Boody may "regard this enterprise as the mmediately pressing claim in the interests of he beat constituency, and further it accordingly."

The discussion concerning the Beecher statue has on a new form. Early in the week came a strong argument from Colonel Culyer in favor of taking it away from the City Hall altogether and setting it in Prospect Park. meeting of the Aldermen's committee on Thursday appears virtually to have made it certain that this will be done. When the nestion of site was first under consideration, he sentiment in favor of placing the statue in the city's principal park was strong in the minds of many of those interested. There is certainly much to be said on the affirmative side of that proposition, and it is not too late to think of making so radical a change. The majority of those who desire to see the statue turned around would doubtless be satisfied with st that and nothing more, or at least nothing more than the transfer of the statue to the apex of the lttle-triangle in which it stands. All this discussion nd pother would have been avoided, however, if a de in Prospect Park had been selected in the first Mr. Halliday's proposition that a second Beecher statue be procured for the park has never oused any enthusiasm, and his subscription for that purpose still stands solitary and alone.

cars ago a newspaper man who moved from himself and his family in ordering articles sent to their address, which they had invariably to spell out. The Academy will be decorated and illuminated with much richness and taste and it will be filled with much richness and taste and it will be filled by handsomely dressed women and their eccorits, who handsomely dressed women and their eccorits, who will dance the night away "for sweet clastity's sake." Will dance the night away "for sweet clastity's sake." Will dance the night away "for sweet clastity's sake." Governor Flower, Senators Hill and Murphy, Mayor Boody and all the other principal city officials.

WHAT BROOKLYN TALKS OF. street, but it certainly is an objection. Without the slightest discredit to Kosciusko and his noble work, i may be said that his surname is not a good one for one of Brooklyn's streets. It is now proposed to change it to Maple-st. On general principles there are grave objections to changing any street name for the purpose of securing one that sounds more aristo cratic or for the sake of honoring some individual. but it must be conceded that in this case the reason for desiring a change are not merely trivial. The weighty question of a change is now before the eminent scholars composing the Board of Aldermen, and It is not within reason that they should consider it from any other view-point than that of the broadest civic statesmanship.

AMONG THE CLUBHOUSES.

THE MONTAUR'S RECEPTION FOR WOMEN-WORK

OF THE BOWLERS. the Annual reception to women by the members of that office in Hoga County in 1853 that began his dis affecting the city and county governor that office in Hoga County in 1853 that began his dis affecting the city and county governor that office in Hoga County in 1853 that began his dis affecting the city and county governor that office in Hoga County in 1853 that began his dis affecting the city and county governor that office in Hoga County in 1853 that began his dis affecting the city and county governor that office in Hoga County in 1853 that began his dis affecting the city and county governor to women the city and county governor to the public career. His defeat for the office in Kings to recommend a remedy for the same. This county is constituted of H. A. Worthley, F. entertainments of the kind, the unbearable crowding. Cabinet of President Harrison, thus attaining the city and county governor to recommend a remedy for the same. This county is constituted of H. A. Worthley, F. entertainments of the kind, the unbearable crowding. Cabinet of President Harrison, thus attaining the city and county governor to remedy for the same. This county is constituted of H. A. Worthley, F. Balley, F. W. Hinrichs, John Baker and Ernest Kells was avoided, and every arrangement was made for highest honors ever attained by any resident of Brook. the comfort of those who were in the house. The lyn. If he should be placed upon the bench of the rooms were hand-omely decorated, and even without United States Supreme Court he would gain the ferus and flowers they would have been beautiful with highest Judicial distinction allotted to any Brooklyn shoir handsome woodwork, dainty careings, and lawyer. of the entertainment committee, which consists of Timothy L. Woodruf, Emory N. Downs, E. G. Wifflams, James Foster, jr., Percy G. Williams, W. H. Williams, Henry F. Wood, Frank Squier, G. A. Lovie w. H. Hagen, G. S. Adams, J. N. Rider, G. A. Price better that the franchise, which rans until 1931, is of H. B. Delatour and Andrew Peters. E. I. Housman of the house committee, was going to Europe last week, but postponed his departure until this week,

so as to be present at the entertainment.

The members of the Algonquia Club last evening gave an amateur minstrel show at the clubbonse it First Place. R. H. Launbler, jr., the president of the club, was manager, and C. H. S. Jaffray was musical director. Among the performers from the club were Charles H. Hunt, jr., Charles B. Upjohn, Howard & Pyle, and Harry L. Taylor. Messrs, Johnson and Middendorf, of the Polytechnic Banio Club, also took The programme ended with a most surprising It was a wise step to secure for this entertainment known as "Ten Minutes at the Circus Reynolds and A. G. McDonald. They in which M. Hoffman was ringmaster. The entertain ment committee of the chib consists of John A. Durbar, Charles H. Hunt, Jr., and Charles E. Upjohn.

The Brooklyn Women's Club last week moved fro the rooms which it has long occupied in Willoughby st., to new quarters in the Johnston Bullding. Theare admirably fitted up for the uses of the club. has been one of the most successful organizations of its kind. Its officers are: President, Mrs. Helen His recording secretary, Mrs. Sarah M. Safford; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Henry T. Wing; treasures

Mrs. Mary Louise Catlin; auditor, Miss Florence start The determination of the Crescept Athletic (15) is most commendable. It needs one greatly and it-present pro-perity as well as the success which has attended its past efforts, which sometimes scene daring, warrant the belief that the project will b entirely successful. The annual report of the treasurer showing receipts of \$62,935 13, expenditures of \$55.872 02, a net gain of \$7,062 81, is gratifying.

The Laurence Clab on Wednesday evening gave attended by many women. The committee in charge consisted of J. B. Hermann, J. S. Klotz, Julius Reiners, C. R. Williams and Jacob Brenner. The annual reception of the club to women will be held on Febru-

The Oxford Club gave a dinner to Eugene Britton, the iteasurer of the club, on Thursday evening. It was to have been held the week before, but was

p stponed. League has officially declared the Lincoln Club the winner of the league prize, and the Crescent Athleth Club the winner of the "Standard-Union" prize in the members of the different teams competing will be held soon. The price will not exceed \$5 a plate, includ-The time and place have not yet been Last week's series of games in the Interclub

Bowling League tournament resulted as follows: Union League 834, 880, vs. Lincoln 818, 801, Midwood 700, 737, vs. Hanover 871, 879, Oxford 704, 823, vs. Aurora Grata 633, 862, Kutcherbocker 736, 668, vs. Montaua 777, 848.

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The special feature of the Wedne at the Riding and Driving Club last week was the second of the football games on horselack. The contestants were the members of the Equestrian Ath tetle Club, an organization recently formed by some of the Riding and Driving men. A jumping contest followed the game. Clarence II. Robbins, with his horse Pay Rum, won the prize. Arthur Weber and

The Bedford Cycle Club on Tuesday evening held

a reception at Avon Hall. The new hoard of directors of the Midwood Clifof Flathush, have decided to suspend the initiation fee for six months. Under this rule they expect to Increase their membership from ninety to two hun-Increase their membership from ninety to two hundred members. During the last week twelve new propositions have been handed in. on Wednesday evening a progressive eacher party will be held at the clubbouse. President William L. Keese has appointed the following committees to serve for the year: House-William A. A. Brown, J. W. Haviland, H. J. Johnson. entertainment R. M. C. Collons, James Lefterts, H. Garrison, membership-Jeremlah Lett, William H. Beardsley, Janes Ledi-trs, William H. Garrison, sidney F. Walker; mannes Edward F. De selding, William H. Beardsley and J. W. Haviland.

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The board of directors of the Knickerbocker Field Club, of Flatbush, have called for estimates for the inraishing of their new clubhouse, which the members expect to occupy about the middle of February. The bowling committee, Frederick Weister E. P. Maynard and E. H. Driggs, have been authorized to purchase the silver prize badges for the senior and funior championship bewling tournament new going on in the club. I. N. Ford, William H. Weymouth and William H. McNeil were elected to membership at a meeting of the board of directors Tast Wednesday evening, George W. Maynard, F. H. Case and E. H. Lott, members of the cutertainment committee, have made arrangements for a progressive enchare party, to take place at the cluthouse to matrow evening.

Last Tuesday evening's meeting of the Washington Bowling Club, at Avon Hall, was made musually interesting by the introduction of some special features, among them the making of some excellent flash light photographs of the entire club. The bowlers present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Layton, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cluff, Misees Fimma Thomas, Bertha Cleveland, E. Kellum, Florence Glison, Fanny Van Ingen, May E. Mangam and Eloise Brumley and Edward D. Eldridge, Avery Brumley, William A. Cotton, Edward F. Stevens, Frank L. sufflen and W. F. Johnson. The best score, 145, was made by Mss Masgam. After the bowling there were refreshments and dancing at the house of Mt. and Mrs. Layton, in Clinton-ave.

## AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

The Bostonians will reappear this week at the columbia Theatre in "Robin Hood," the successful comic opera given in Boston, Philadelphia and Washington, since the company left New York, where it has been sung for five months within the last year.
The tuneful merits of the opera, together with the excellent cast and the fine setting, make the performance a pleasing and popular one. The opera will be sung at six evening and two matinee performances. C. B. Jefferson, Klaw & Erlanger's "Country Circus" C. B. Jefferson, Klaw & Erlanger's "Country Circus" will be the attraction at the Amphion this week. The play will be given with all its accessories. There are many features of the performance especially adapted for the amusement of the children, notably the two ponles "Wee-Wee" and "Wy-Wy," and "Professor" Conrad and his trained dog Tramp. Leon Morris and his educated ponles will also appear. It will be given at the Amphion on the same elaborate scale as at the Academy some weeks ago.

## TO GIVE A BALL FOR CHARITY.

The thirty-fifth annual ball of the Emerald Association of Brooklyn in aid of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum Society will be given in the Montague st. Academy of Music on Wednesday evening. The arrangements already made promise a more successful affair than any heretofore given. Police Justice Walsh is the president of the association this year and he has been ably nided by the various committee in perfecting the details for the ball.

## POLITICAL AND PERSONAL.

PUBLIC MEN AND AFFAIRS.

BROOKLYN'S REPRESENTATIVE IN THE CABINET

tained his present position, and the country would have lost the finest Secretary of the Navy she ever had. In point of fact, Secretary Tracy can attribute advancement both to election and to defeat for the "toyed with." The result of the discussion was the OF THE BOWLERS.

office of District Attorney. It was his election to appointment of a committee to investigate the scale annual reception to women by the members of that office in Tioga County in 1853 that began his data affecting the city and county governments and



Benjamin Franklin Tracy was born on April 26, 1830, in Owego, Tioga County, where his father was one of the early settlers. He was educated in the Owego Academy, and began to study law when over Gilbert C. Walker, subsequently Governor of Virginia. In 1861 Mr. Tracy went to the Assembly, where he was a close friend of the Speaker, Henry J. Raymond, and served on important committees. He recruited two regiments in 1:62, and became colonel of one of them, the 105th N. V. V., and went to the

front. For bravery in the Wilderness campaign and at Spotisylvania he was raised to the rank of general, and he subsequently had charge of the prison camp in Fimica. At the close of the war he come to New York and began the practice of law with the firm of Benedict, Burt & Benedict.

The next year he was appointed United States Dis-trict Attorney in Brooklyn, to succeed B. D. Sill-

man, and he held the office for seven years. His cution of the whiskey distillers for revenue frauds still remembered as most vigorous and successful, and he drafted a bill which increased the Government revenue collections in one year from \$13,000,000 to \$50,000,000.

figured in a number of important cases, the chief of them being the Titon-Reccher suit, in which be defended Mr. Beecher with marked ability. In 1881. e was appointed Associate Justice of the Court of Appeals, and served with much distinction for a year, He was subsequently the Republican candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court in the Second Judicial District, but the Democratic majority was too great for him to overcome. At the earnest permasion of his party he became candidate for District Attorney in party he became candidate for District Attorney in 1886, but a combination of opposing interests led to his defeat. When he was named four years ago for a Cabinet office there was general pride in Brooklyn because of the distinction condetred upon the city, and this has steadily increased by reason of his highly successful administration of the affairs of the Navy Department. This feeling is shared in by all his sume his law practice after March 4. When he went to Washington he sold his house in Breeklyn on the Heights. He has a fine country place at Owego. where he maintains a stock farm. When in Brooklyn Secretary Fracy slavs at the Hotel St. George, where

yn Young Republican Club last week was an emphatic demand for a complete organization of the Republican deniand for a complete organization of the Republican vaters of the city. This was volced by Willem H. Williams, a former president of the club, who said that there were 70,000 Republicans who voted on Election Day, while only 5,000 took part in the pri-maries at which the representatives of the parts in the General Committee were chosen. These fluore-were electron, it is demanded an expanization which were eloquent to demanding an organization which should represent the mass of Republican voters. There were 93 per cent of the Republicans of the county ruled by 7 per cent. There were less than to per cent of the Republicans of the county profiled in the ward associations, and this showed what was lacking. An election district enrolment would produce on effective organization. Mr. Williams arged the enrolment of all the Republicans of the county by election districts under the name of "The Enrolled Republicans of Kings County," who should Enrolled Republicans of Kings County," who should send delegates to a central committee, and thus secure recognition in the councils of the party.

The principles of the Philadelphia plan, a modification of which is now before the General Committee for action next month, were expounded to the cinb by Joseph Benjamin, who was one of those who went to Philadelphia to examine its workings. Mr. Ben-jamin was emphatic in his statement of the need of reorganizing the party representation, which would give the people a voice in the control of the party. He attributed the factional spirit in the party to the present form of organization. The club proposes to iold monthly meetings to discuss affairs of political and public interest. President Charles A. Schleren s active in the effort to have the club prove of note weight and influence in the affairs of the city than it has done in recent years.

An Independent inovement toward municipal reform has been started by the Young Men's Democratic Club, which has always been a sort of balance wheel for the Democratic organizations of the city. Alfred C hapin was its first president, and from it the Brooklyn Democratic Club broke away with David A. Boody it its head. Unsuccessful efforts were recently made to reunite them. In taking the chair as president of the club A. L. Sessions made a speech a few nights After ago in which he severely arraigned the city authorities for municipal mismanagement. He said that the citi

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zens were entitled to have an abundant supply pure water, clean streets, sufficient protection against fire, honest and careful expenditure of public moneys and adequate return for valuable franchises. The fact was that twice within a year the city was threat MUNICIPAL REFORM.

At a recent dinner at the Brooklyn Ch.L. District-Attorney Ridgeway, who seems likely to be perpetual public prosecutor of Kings County, unless consolidation with New-York shall make his office subordinate to that of the District-Attorney of the metropolis, told secretary Tracy that if he had not been defeated for District-Attorney he would probably have never attained his present position, and the country would have lost the finest secretary of the Nave of the Research of the Nave of the Nave of the Nave of the City. Recent instances showed that the formal substances of substations of neighboring regiments to review lattations of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge asking him to review a battation of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge asking him to review a battation of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge asking him to review a battation of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge asking him to review a battation of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge asking him to review a battation of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge with the sent a letter to Colonel Partridge asking him to review a battation of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge asking him to review a battation of his own. On Monday night he sent a letter to Colonel Partridge with the sen

Balley, F. W. Hinrichs, John Baker and Ernest Kellar.

The committee appointed by Mayor Ecody to in vestigate the charges against the Fire Department will probably begin its work its week. The committee has gone beyond its province to ask the Insurance fariff Association to suspend the advance in rates until the investigation is completed. The fact that two of the members of the cannottee declared before they were appointed their satisfaction with the work of the incemen in the past, one of them thus expressing himself at the hearing before Mayor Boody goes to show that it will take a weighty amount of evidence to induce them to condemn the present condition of tilings. Some recommendations favoring further equipment for fire extinguishing and precautions against the sprend of flames are fixely to be made.

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be made.

The death of Mr. Blaine recalls his memorable ap
pearance in Brooklyn in the campaign of 1884. The
weather was exceedingly unfavorable, but the throng
called out by his presence in the city were great.
The Academy of Music was packed with women in the
afternoon at a reception in his boson. The capacity
of the building was taxed to the atmost at the masmeeting which he addressed in the eventing. Tens of
thousands of Republicant marched in the pointing rate,
marshalled by S. V. White, and passed under ravia
by Mr. Blaine as he stood in the rain until the last
man in the ranks had appeared. Such an outpouring
of eathustasm was never seen in the city herore or
since. In 1888, on the Saturday night before the
election, Mr. Blaine made lifs last visit to Brooklyn.
He spoke at three great mass meetings, plending the
dates of Harrison and Morton with as great effect as
he had pleaded his own cause four years before.
Robert D. Benedict, who has been elected preeldent
of the New-England society to succeed Judge (ariyin E.
Fratt, is also president of the Brooklyn Society of
Vermonters. He is a lawyer in New York, and lives
on the Hill. He is an active Republican and has
been prominent in the affairs of the party for years.
With a law which refleves the city and county
authorities from prosecution to secure the refinables
of the money paid out for the swollen expenditure, in
the quashing of the indictments for folony and grare
harrony, as now seems probable, the work of the termilary in its investigation will be practically defauted
it will then rest with the presenting older of the
county to have the affair brought before mother
formed Jury and Indictments to reliany and prove
defective and suffer the guilty to escape.

#### COLONEL SINN'S LAWSUIT.

IS HE SUING HIS WIFE FOR DIVORCE OR EREACH FR CONTRACT!

A case is on the calendar of the Cl Brooklyn, in which Calenel William E. Sinn. theatre manager, is the plaintiff in a sett against his wife, who is known on the slage as Mice Cora Teat ner, and it will come to trial early next month. Lot of action, but it is believed to have grown on of the strained relations between Colonel sinn, who is man They have lived apart since inst summer. It was re-ported in the full that they were sighing separation Sinn's mother said that it was a case of ton sympathtes were wholly apart. It was said that the choice of plays in which Miss Januer has appeared ans controlled by her husband, who was her manager and she blamed blur for non-success. Colonel sint dented that he and his wife were separated, and sain by, however, she did not go to his house. She has not appeared upon the stage this season. Her last play, "Husband and Wife," was not successful.

Colonel Sinn declined positively yesterday to say anything about the case in advance of its coming in court. His connect in the case is Thomas H. Troy. but refused to say maything more about it. Mrs. San's afterney of record is R short Griffin, who has also office with Colonel Robert G. Ingers di. as No. 20 Nas-sauxt., New York. He admits 4 that he drew up the answer in the case, but he said Colonel Ingersall was control. Cel nel ingersell is now in the West, but

he holds his voting residence, so that he continues to be identified with the city which has been its home for more than a quarter of a century.

Waiter E. sinn, son of Colonel sinn said that it had been decided to say nothing about the case until it came to trial. It was a personal matter, and did not not refuse to the target matter, and did will return this week.

sie for breith in a wife secured distinct plant is somet plant's first wife secured distinct be married Miss fanner. The initiation was done be married Miss fanner. The initiation was developed that the soft might be brought amult the later marriage on the ground that was a lack of beral right to marry on the part one of the couple. A friend of Colonel Sain on the part of the couple of the couple of the brought to deshree a charge invalid when one of the battles to it had right to marry. This might be due to the that an undivorced his-band or wife was alive, for other reasons, and the facts may nove been known to the person affected, who may laye is known to the person affected, who may laye is could be seen that the condy assumed thes, the dight in acome which could be suffer.

NEWS FROM THE ARMORIES.

TO REVIEW A BATTALION-RECEPTIONS AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

ened with a water famine, the streets were a disgrace to a civilized community, disastrious fires had raised rates of insurance, money was recklessly visted to Regiment, in tayiting colonels of neighboring regiments Colonel Ansten, of the 13th Regiment, has followed

The brigade examining board on Monday night had efore it Quartermester sergeant John L. Snyder, Ir., who has been elected a lientenant of Company II, 13th Regiment; Private E. B. Constantine, of the same company, who is also a Bentenant-elect, and Captain John L. Bruns, formerly of Company D, 4th New Jersey, captain-elect of Company C, 14th Regiment. The commissions of Captains William H. Lyons and John T. Jennings, of the 13th Regiment, and Second Lientenant George R. Jennings, of the 14th Regiment, have been received from Albany.

The Third Battalion of the 23d Regiment, under Capain F. L. Holmes, will parade on February 11. Companies C and D. 23d Regiment, had a battallon drill under Captain Walter P. Blockman on Monday

enant on Tuesday night. Second Lieutenant Carl .. Holmberg is the only candidate.

The 47th Regiment Veterans held their nineteenth namal dinner at the St. George Hotel on Tuesday hight, Cortlandi St. John presided, The speak-rs were General J. V. Meserole, Mayor Goody, Adjutant-General Porter, Colonel John Eddy, General Horatio C. King, the Rev. Dr. James H. Darlington, chaplain of the regiment Colonel John Onkey and Judge Henry A. Moore.

Company B, 13th Regiment, has formed a relief sociation, by which each member joining will conribute 25 cents a month and receive \$5 a week during iness. Each member will contribute \$1 to a trust members of the company may join the association.

Company A. 13th Regiment, will attend the inauguration of Mr. Cleveland. Permission has been
obtained from the authorities in all the States through
which it will pass. The company will be entertained
by guardsmen in Baltimore.

Lieutenant theory Williams. Company G. 13th Regiment, who resigned some time ago, received his discharge on Tuesday night.

The 47th Regiment Cadet Corps has been organized,
with R. Morris, capitali; F. B. Field, D. Davidson and
Croffus, sergenits; W. Conduff, quartermasterergent, and G. Khadfelder, R. Wardell and C. Lumersk, corporals. nembers of the company may join the association.

Companies A and G. 47th Regiment, and De Witt Companies A and G. 47th Regiment, and De Witt Inton Commandery will have a joint reception at the rmory on February 10. Company F. 47th Regiment, will give its minstrel how, "Patchague," at the Criterion Theatre on Mon-

lay hight.

Mijor Peter H. McNulty, quartermaster of the second Pricade, has announced that he will soon reagn, owing to his private loustness.

The quarterly report of the 25d Regiment shows he strength of the regiment to be as follows: Field and staff, 10° non-commissioned staff, 8; companies—A, 98; B, 69; F, 89; B, 79; C, 89; H, 66; J, 19; K, 88; total, 809.

#### A RUNAWAY TROLLEY CAR.

THE MOTORMAN AND CONDUCTOR INJUREO. A trolley car, on its way to Bensonhurst from and Thirteenth ave, in the town of New-Utrecht, sarly yesterday moraling and dashed down an emdescripers on beard, but the conductor and motor and were both injured. Lindley Runner, the Lindley Runner, the motorman, was so severely hurt that he was taken to the Norwegian Hospital. At the hour the car was the car was run at a high speed along Thirteenth-ive. The motor seemed to be running roughly, and " motorman entered the car to examine it, giving before the sharp turn at Eighty-sixth-st, was reached, and Welsh could not see the track distinctly and slackened speed to time. The result was that the car imped the track at the curve and plunged down the embankment into a mendow. Walsh was thrown over the dashboard, but landed in some soft clay

and was not greatly burt.

The motorman was thrown with great violence to the floor of the car and received severe internal by the loss of the car and received sever internal by, and when the next car on its way to the city from Bensonburst appeared, the injured man was laken to the city and an ambalance from the Norwelan Hospital carried Ranner to that institution, walsh went to his home in Gravesend.

Dr. Marion Mills Miller, of the Theatre of Arts and Leit rs, will better on "Passion in the Greek Poets," chatton Hall on Tuesday evening under the direction of the Prooidyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. He will set forth the doctrine of the Eres with illustradone from Homer, He-lod, Sappho, Pindar, Amereo Theoretics, thou and other poets. Miss Morrison will deput amorive gestures, and choric dances will be given by pupils of Mise, Alberti, of New York.

FOR A YOUNG MEN'S ANNIVERSARY.

The thing-minth anniversary of the Young Men's gistian Association will be observed with anniversary will be President Merrill E. Gates, of Amdayor Pooly, President Bradford P. Raymond, of 1r. Charles C. Hall, Colonel A. S. Bacon, and ex-congression Darwin R. James. The annual report will be read at each meeting.

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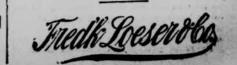
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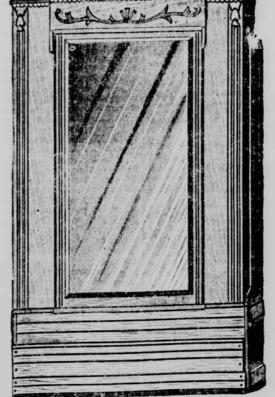
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